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Applicant:	Tariq Khalidi	)	
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For:	Automated Competitive Bidding System and Process	)	Examiner: Jagdish Patel

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Sacramento, California 95814Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop Amendment  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT**

This amendment is submitted in response to the non-final office action mailed on October 24, 2007.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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